



Resources on Waste for Businesses and Governments



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The Hotline responds to questions from a broad audience of callers with diverse backgrounds and varying degrees of regulatory knowledge. Callers can obtain regulatory information from a Hotline staff member who specializes in the RCRA program, or they can order EPA publications pertaining to any RCRA program area. The Hotline also provides information on EPA's electronic resources, which include public access Internet servers, electronic mailing lists, and bulletin board systems.

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ELECTRONIC ACCESS TO THE OFFICE OF SOLID WASTE

The Office of Solid Waste (OSW) provides a wide variety of information about hazardous and nonhazardous waste on the Internet and on certain bulletin board systems. OSW materials are located at <www.epa.gov/osw>. Selected OSW documents also can be found at <[ftp.epa.gov/pub/epaoswer](ftp://ftp.epa.gov/pub/epaoswer)>; Login: *Anonymous*; Password: *Your e-mail address*.

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ABOUT THIS DOCUMENT

This catalog contains descriptions of a variety of resources available from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on solid and hazardous waste management. The publications describe ways to reduce or prevent waste and they explain some regulatory waste management requirements. The publications are listed alphabetically by subject area.

HOW TO ORDER PUBLICATIONS

All publications are available at no charge from EPA. To order a publication, call the RCRA Hotline at 800 424-9346 (TDD 800 553-7672) or, in the Washington, DC, area, call 703 412-9810 (TDD 703 412-3323). When ordering, please mention the order numbers. You also can order documents via e-mail by sending a request to rcra-docket@epamail.epa.gov or via regular mail by writing to RCRA Information Center (5305W), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460-0002 (this address is for mailing purposes only). See the order form in the back of this document. Finally, many of these documents are available on the Internet through EPA's Office of Solid Waste web site at www.epa.gov/osw.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

For a more comprehensive list of solid and hazardous waste publications, order the [Catalog of Hazardous and Solid Waste Publications, Eleventh Edition \(EPA530-B-98-001\)](#) from the RCRA Hotline or the RCRA Information Center (see above).



Composting

[New Applications for an Age-Old Technology \(Kit Folder\)](#)

Addresses the environmental benefits of using compost: soil enrichment, pollution remediation, and pollution prevention. Contains a series of fact sheets: [Innovative Uses of Compost: Bioremediation and Pollution Prevention](#); [Innovative Uses of Compost: Erosion Control, Turf Remediation, and Landscaping](#); [Innovative Uses of Compost: Disease Control for Plants and Animals](#); [Innovative Uses of Compost: Composting of Soils Contaminated by Explosives](#); and [Innovative Uses of Compost: Reforestation, Wetlands Restoration, and Habitat Revitalization](#).

10/15/1997

Order Number: EPA530-F-97-047

[Organic Materials Management Strategies](#)

Describes seven composting strategies for organic materials in the national municipal solid waste stream and presents an analysis of the benefits and costs of each strategy, the potential for diverting organic materials from landfills or waste-to-energy facilities, and the potential markets for diverted organic materials. Provides an overview of organic materials in the national waste stream. Estimates avoided collection and disposal costs attributed to diversion of organic materials. Describes the organic materials management strategies. Reviews compost markets and end-uses. Summarizes and compares the net costs of each composting strategy.

05/15/1998

Order Number: EPA530-R-97-003

Full Cost Accounting

[Full Cost Accounting for Municipal Solid Waste: A Handbook](#)

A comprehensive overview and a valuable resource for local governments. Describes the key concepts and benefits of full cost accounting (FCA) and can help communities learn how other communities have used FCA. Addresses many of the financial terms used in FCA, and the specific costs that are considered. Explains the basic steps involved with implementing FCA for solid waste management.

09/15/1997

Order Number: EPA530-R-95-041

[Making Solid \(Waste\) Decisions with Full Cost Accounting \(FCA\)](#)

Describes a method of compiling detailed cost information on municipal solid waste services in their communities. It briefly defines full cost accounting and explains how it works, including its benefits and potential barriers. Snapshot examples of how communities are



using FCA to improve their operations also are included.

07/15/1996

Order Number: EPA530-K-96-001

[Questions and Answers About Full Cost Accounting](#)

Features questions and answers discussed during a satellite forum on FCA. Defines FCA and explains how to get started using FCA. Discusses the implementation of FCA and its benefits. Addresses rate-setting, recycling, and privatization, in relation to FCA. Discusses the cost of FCA. Includes resources.

02/15/1998

Order Number: EPA530-F-98-003

Hazardous Waste

Does Your Business Produce Hazardous Waste? Many Small Businesses Do
Assists small businesses with compliance with new hazardous waste laws. Helps determine whether a particular business produces hazardous waste. Describes procedure for handling and includes the Uniform Hazardous Waste Manifest, EPA Form 8700-22. Lists EPA regional contacts and state and territorial hazardous waste management agencies for additional help.

04/15/1990

Order Number: EPA530-SW-90-027

Environmental Fact Sheet: EPA Publishes Land Disposal Restrictions Treatment Standards

A fact sheet describing innovative compliance options created by EPA to help bridge the requirements of the Clean Water Act and RCRA for treating hazardous wastes. The new options simplify permit requirements and ease compliance by eliminating confusion about which regulatory requirements apply to the Land Disposal Restrictions Program.

03/15/1996

Order Number: EPA530-F-96-008

[Hazardous Waste Facility Permitting Process](#)

Defines hazardous waste and hazardous waste management facilities in nontechnical terms. Lists laws and regulations governing facilities that treat, store, and dispose of hazardous waste. It also describes permitting requirements for these facilities, steps in the permitting process, and public participation.

06/15/1996

Order Number: EPA530-F-96-007

[El Proceso de Permisos para Instalaciones de Residuos Peligrosos](#) (Spanish Translation of *The Hazardous Waste Facility Permitting Process*)

Este publicación define residuos peligrosos e instalaciones de manejo de residuos peligrosos en terminos nontecnicos. Lista leyes y regulaciones que gobiernan instalaciones para el



tratamiento, almacenaje, y desecho de residuos peligrosos. Además describe los requisitos para el permiso de estas instalaciones, pasos para el proceso del permiso, y la participación pública.

15/06/1996

Número de Pedido: EPA530-F-96-007S

[Hazardous Waste Requirements for Large Quantity Generators](#)

A summary of the federal requirements that must be followed by businesses that generate large amounts of hazardous waste. Describes how to identify hazardous waste generated, determine generator categories, and otherwise comply with requirements.

06/15/1996

Order Number: EPA530-F-96-032

[Identifying Your Waste: The Starting Point](#)

This brochure is targeted to businesses and describes the current method for identifying hazardous waste under RCRA. Explains the anticipated changes to hazardous waste management under the Hazardous Waste Identification Rule (HWIR). The brochure also includes definitions and examples of each kind of waste.

09/15/1997

Order Number: EPA530-F-97-029

[Implementation of the Mercury-Containing and Rechargeable Battery Management Act](#)

Summarizes the Mercury-Containing and Rechargeable Battery Management Act (the Battery Act). Also explains the state and federal requirements affecting battery recycling prior to the passage of the Battery Act; the Act's requirements; why proper disposal or recycling is necessary for nickel-cadmium and small sealed lead-acid rechargeable batteries; and existing initiatives to recycle used rechargeable batteries.

11/15/1997

Order Number: EPA530-K-97-009

[Managing Used Oil: Advice for Small Businesses](#)

Explains EPA's management standards to help service stations, fleet maintenance facilities, and quick lube shops that generate and handle used oil, particularly motor oil. EPA's standards cover the handling, storage, disposal, and recycling of used oil.

11/15/1996

Order Number: EPA530-F-96-004

[Manejando Aceite Usado: Consejos para Empresas Pequeñas](#) (Spanish Translation of *Managing Used Oil: Advice for Small Businesses*)

Esta hoja informativa contiene información valiosa para negocios tales como talleres mecánicos, instalaciones de mantenimiento de flotillas de vehículos y talleres de cambio de aceite ("Quick Lube") que generan y manejan aceite usado. Este es un resumen de las normas



sobre manejo de aceite usado de la Agencia de Protección Ambiental de los Estados Unidos (EPA). Provee una definición regulativa de la EPA para aceite usado y describe diferente tipos de negocios que manejan aceite usado. La hoja informativa también explica normas que los negocios deben de observar al manejar aceite usado y filtros de aceite. Y también recomienda practicas de limpieza.

15/11/1996

Número de Pedido: EPA530-F-96-004S

Passing the Torch: Streamlined State Authorization (Brochure)

A brochure explaining how EPA delegates the hazardous waste management program to individual states. Because these regulations are regularly changed and improved, states must continually submit authorization applications to EPA explaining how their programs are incorporating these changes.

08/15/1996

Order Number: EPA530-F-96-005

RCRA in Focus

A series containing an overview of the federal regulations businesses must follow and the wastes likely to be hazardous in specific industries. It also provides federal recycling and pollution prevention options to help businesses decrease the amount of hazardous waste they generate. Different editions feature different industries, such as printing, photo processing, vehicle maintenance, dry cleaning, furniture manufacturing and refinishing, and leather manufacturing.

[Printing:](#)

01/15/1998

Order Number: EPA530-K-97-007

Others editions forthcoming. Call the RCRA Hotline or write RIC for more information.

[RCRA Expanded Public Participation Rule \(Brochure\)](#)

Describes EPA's expanded public participation rule to empower communities to become more actively involved in local hazardous waste management. The rule involves the public earlier in the permitting process, provides more opportunities for public participation, expands public access to information, and offers guidance on how facilities can improve public participation.

02/15/1996

Order Number: EPA530-F-95-030

[Reglamento de Participación Pública Expandida de la RCRA \(Spanish Translation of RCRA Expanded Public Participation Rule\)](#)

Describe el reglamento que amplía la participación pública en EPA (siglas en inglés de la Agencia para la Protección Ambiental) facultando a las comunidades a interesarse más activamente en el manejo de desechos peligrosos de su localidad. Trata de involucrar al público desde el inicio en el proceso de otorgamiento de permisos, proporcionando



más oportunidades para la participación pública, ampliando el acceso del público a la información, y ofreciendo una orientación de cómo los establecimientos pueden mejorar la participación pública.

15/02/1996

Número de Pedido: EPA530-F-95-030S

RCRA Orientation Manual

Provides introductory information on solid and hazardous waste management programs under RCRA. Addresses the basic framework of the RCRA regulatory program for new EPA and state employees, those new to RCRA, and others interested in the Act in seven sections: introduction to RCRA; managing solid waste—RCRA Subtitle D; managing hazardous waste—RCRA Subtitle C; managing underground storage tanks—RCRA Subtitle I; miscellaneous statutory provisions (such as procurement guidelines); RCRA and its relationship to other environmental statutes, and public involvement in RCRA. Appendices include a hazardous waste manifest, land disposal restriction notification requirements, underground storage tank notification form, glossary, acronyms and abbreviations, EPA organization chart, and environmental contacts. Updates manual issued in 1990.

05/15/1998

Order Number: EPA530-R-98-004

RCRA Expanded Public Participation Rule (Brochure)

Describes EPA's expanded public participation rule to empower communities to become more actively involved in local hazardous waste management. The rule involves the public earlier in the permitting process, provides more opportunities for public participation, expands public access to information, and offers guidance on how facilities can improve public participation.

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Order Number: EPA530-F-95-030

Reglamento de Participación Pública Expandida de la RCRA (Spanish

Translation of RCRA Expanded Public Participation Rule)

Describe el reglamento que amplía la participación pública en EPA (siglas en inglés de la Agencia para la Protección Ambiental) facultando a las comunidades a interesarse más activamente en el manejo de desechos peligrosos de su localidad. Trata de involucrar al público desde el inicio en el proceso de otorgamiento de permisos, proporcionando más oportunidades para la participación pública, ampliando el acceso del público a la información, y ofreciendo una orientación de cómo los establecimientos pueden mejorar la participación pública.

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Número de Pedido: EPA530-F-95-030S



[RCRA Public Participation Manual](#)

A manual designed for technical staff in regulatory agencies who are responsible for permitting facilities that manage hazardous waste. Staff of regulated facilities who are engaged in public involvement also might find it useful. Offers step-by-step instructions for conducting public involvement activities related to the permitting of hazardous waste management facilities.

06/15/1996

Order Number: EPA530-R-96-007

[Manual de Participación Pública de la RCRA](#) (Spanish Translation of *RCRA Public Participation Manual*)

Este documento es un manual de usuarios para las actividades de participación pública en el proceso de permisos RCRA. Sirve como una guía para mejorar la cooperación y la comunicación entre todos los participantes, y además explica cómo funciona la participación pública en el proceso de permisos de RCRA y cómo los ciudadanos, los reguladores y la industria pueden cooperar para que funcione mejor. Apendices incluyen: lista de contactos de la EPA, lista de contactos de RCRA en los estados, contactos de la Liga de Mujeres Electoras, lista de verificación de la participación pública en justicia ambiental, orientación para grupos consultivos de la comunidad en sitios del Superfondo, regulaciones para/sobre participación pública, Ejemplos de notificaciones públicas de RCRA, ejemplos de herramientas adicionales de participación pública de acuerdo a la RCRA, hoja de información del Proceso de Permisos Para Instalaciones de Desechos Peligrosos, RCRA Norma de Participación Pública Expandida y Folleto, Página Informativa Sobre Modificaciones de Permisos, recursos de participación pública de que dispone la agencia expedidora del permiso, participación pública en actividades dirigidas a hacer cumplir las leyes, guía de acceso a la información de la EPA, y un glosario de acrónimos.

15/06/1996

Número de Pedido: EPA530-R-96-007S

[RCRA: Reducing Risk From Waste](#)

Provides a brief overview of the national RCRA program and the role of the states. Defines RCRA hazardous waste and how the RCRA regulations apply to generators, transporters, and TSDFs. Describes the waste minimization program. Addresses municipal and industrial solid waste. Contains a section on other environmental laws related to hazardous substances. Includes a glossary and guide to the RCRA section of the Code of Federal Regulations.

08/15/1997

Order Number: EPA530-K-97-004

[Review of Industrial Waste Exchanges](#)

Waste exchanges provide a mechanism for recycling and reusing industrial waste. Waste exchanges are reviewed, as are the funding mechanisms and relative market position of waste exchanges. The document also characterizes the types of wastes suitable for waste exchanges and the customers that make use of these services. Environmental liability issues also are covered, and recommendations for encouraging greater levels of reuse and recycling through waste exchanges are provided.



09/15/1994

Order Number: EPA530-K-94-003

Sensitive Environments and the Siting of Hazardous Waste Management Facilities

Discusses sensitive types of environments that pose special challenges to the siting, expansion, and operation of RCRA hazardous waste management facilities. Defines flood plains, wetlands, ground water, earthquake zones, karst soils, unstable terrain, unfavorable weather locations, and incompatible land use. Addresses problems and recommendations for each environmental type.

05/15/1997

Order Number: EPA530-K-97-003

Medio Ambientes Delicados y la Ubicación de Instalaciones Para Manejo de Residuos Peligrosos (Spanish Translation of *Sensitive Environments and the Siting of Hazardous Waste Management Facilities*)

Discute tipos de ambientes delicados que plantean un desafío especial para la ubicación, expansión y operación de instalaciones para el manejo de residuos peligrosos. Los lugares que constituyen medio ambientes delicados incluyen: planicies alubiales, humedales, zonas sísmicas, terreno inestable, y otros. Explica los problemas asociados con cada tipo de estos ambientes delicados y ofrece recomendaciones para tratar con estos problemas.

15/05/1997

Número de Pedido: EPA530-K-97-003S

Understanding the Hazardous Waste Rules: A Handbook for Small Businesses, 1996 Update

An essential resource for small business owners and operators who generate hazardous waste. It outlines federal requirements and defines the categories of hazardous waste generators (i.e., small, large, and conditionally exempt). Helps businesses determine if federal regulations apply to them. Also contains requirements for conditionally exempt generators and a summary of requirements for large-quantity generators.

04/15/1996

Order Number: EPA530-K-95-001

Entiendo los Reglamentos sobre Residuos Peligrosos: Manual para Empresas Pequeñas Actualización de 1996 (Spanish Translation of *Understanding the Hazardous Waste Rules: A Handbook for Small Businesses, 1996 Update*) [[Códigos de Residuos](#)]

Este folleto es un recurso esencial para dueños de empresas pequeñas que tienen que cumplir con regulaciones federales para el manejo de residuos peligrosos. Define las tres categorías de generadores de residuos peligrosos (pequeñas, grandes, y condicionalmente exentos); asiste a generadores de cantidades pequeñas a determinar si se les aplica regulaciones federales. Explica como obtener un número de identificación de la Agencia de Protección Ambiental (EPA por sus siglas en inglés), manejar desperdicios en sitio, y enviarlos fuera de sitio. Incluye los requisitos para genadores condicionalmente exentos y una descripción para



generadores de cantidades grandes. Lista agencias estatales para el manejo de residuos peligrosos, centros de recursos federales, y oficinas regionales de la EPA que pueden ser contactadas para más información.

15/04/1997

Número de Pedido: EPA530-K-95-001S

[The Universal Waste Rule](#)

EPA's universal waste rule is designed to reduce the amount of hazardous waste items in the municipal solid waste stream. It encourages recycling and proper disposal of certain common hazardous wastes, and reduces the regulatory burden on businesses that generate these wastes. Universal wastes include certain batteries, agricultural pesticides, and thermostats.

02/15/1996

Order Number: EPA530-F-95-025

[Reglamento de Residuos Universales](#)

(Spanish Translation of *The Universal Waste Rule*)

El reglamento de residuos universales de la Agencia de Protección Ambiental (EPA por sus siglas en inglés) fue diseñado para reducir la cantidad de residuos peligrosos en el flujo de residuos sólidos municipal, fomentar el reciclaje y disposición apropiada de ciertos residuos peligrosos y reducir las obligaciones reglamentales para empresas que generan estos residuos. Los residuos universales que se definen en el documento incluyen ciertas baterías, pesticidas agrícolas y termostatos. El documento describe como empresas, residencias y comunidades son afectadas por este reglamento y analiza el papel del estado para implementarlo.

15/02/1996

Número de Pedido: EPA530-F-95-025S

Municipal Solid Waste

[Characterization of Municipal Solid Waste in the United States: 1997 Update](#)

Characterizes municipal solid waste (MSW) from 1960 to 1996. Discusses trends and highlights changes that have occurred over the years. Includes information on total MSW generation, recovery, and discards from 1960 to 1996; per capita generation and discard rates; materials that comprise MSW, as well as products found in the waste stream; aggregate data on the infrastructure for MSW management, including estimates of the number of curbside recycling programs, dropoff centers, and materials recovery facilities in the United States; trends in MSW management from 1960 to 1996; and markets for major recovered materials.

05/15/1998

Order Number: EPA530-R-98-007



Characterization of Products Containing Lead and Cadmium in Municipal Solid Waste in the United States, 1970 to 2000; Executive Summary

A summary of sources of lead and cadmium in municipal solid waste disposed of between 1970 to 1986, with projections to the year 2000. Products containing lead or cadmium include lead-acid batteries; certain household batteries (see also Implementation of the Mercury-Containing and Rechargeable Battery Management Act); and some consumer electronics, glass, ceramics, plastics, soldered cans, and pigments.

01/15/1989

Order Number: EPA530-SW-89-015C

Characterization of Products Containing Mercury in Municipal Solid Waste in the United States, 1970 to 2000; Executive Summary

This report identifies the products in municipal solid waste that may contain mercury and tells how much mercury they contain. Products containing mercury include household batteries, electric lighting, paint residues, thermometers, thermostats, pigments, dental uses, special paper coating, electric light switches, and film pack batteries. Discontinued sources of mercury and trends in discards of mercury also are covered. Nonmunicipal solid waste products that contain mercury and may be disposed of in a municipal disposal facility also are covered.

04/15/1992

Order Number: EPA30-S-92-013

Criteria for Solid Waste Disposal Facilities: A Guide for Owners/Operators

Provides owners and operators of municipal solid waste landfills basic information on the Subtitle D regulations. Examines these regulations and issues of location, operation, design, ground-water monitoring, corrective action, closure, and financial assurance.

03/15/1993

Order Number: EPA530-SW-91-089

Decision-Makers' Guide to Solid Waste Management; Second Edition

This guide offers solid waste management practitioners detailed information about key technical, economic, political, and social issues that must be addressed when developing an effective solid waste management program. It discusses public education and involvement, facility siting, factors to consider in developing a waste management program, collection, source reduction, recycling, composting, combustion, and land disposal. A glossary is included as well.

08/15/1995

Order Number: EPA530-R-95-023

Joining Forces on Solid Waste Management: Regionalization Is Working in Rural and Small Communities

Describes a regionalized approach to solid waste management. Using this approach, neighboring cities, towns, and counties pool their resources to solve local municipal solid



waste challenges. It discusses some of the key advantages and potential barriers associated with regionalization, explains the planning activities that must precede a multicommunity project, and describes the different types of organizational approaches that can be used to carry out regional solid waste management activities. Contains examples of successful regionalization efforts.

10/15/1994

Order Number: EPA530-K-93-001

[Planning for Disaster Debris](#)

Describes steps a community can take to prepare for managing the waste created by natural disasters and to speed recovery after such disasters. Discusses ways communities can reduce the burden on their MSW management systems in the event of a natural disaster. Provides information on the volume of debris generated by hurricanes, earthquakes, tornados, floods, and fires. Presents federal, state, and local resources available to help. Offers several case studies. Includes sources for more information.

12/15/1995

Order Number: EPA530-K-95-010

[Sites for Our Solid Waste: A Guidebook for Effective Public Involvement](#)

Provides information for the public, public officials, and industry professionals to find waste sites that are both technically sound and socially acceptable. Encourages public involvement.

04/15/1990

Order Number: EPA530-SW-90-019

[Solid Waste Funding: A Guide to Federal Assistance \(Brochure\)](#)

Lists a variety of funding sources for research and management programs available to state and local governments, small businesses, and the general public. Briefly describes each grant, cooperative agreement, and loan program. Includes contacts' phone numbers and addresses.

01/15/1998

Order Number: EPA530-F-97-027

[Solid Waste Publications \(CD-ROM\)](#)

Contains more than 100 publications developed by OSW. Provides information on how to reduce, reuse, recycle, and properly manage different forms of hazardous and solid waste. Includes alphabetical and subject indices. Provides full-text search capability across documents using Adobe Acrobat Reader with search plug-in.

10/15/1997

Order Number: EPA530-C-97-006

Recycling



[Electronics Reuse and Recycling Directory](#)

Provides resources for information on reuse and recycling of a variety of consumer electronics such as computers, televisions, and video cameras. Lists contact information for original equipment manufacturers, scrap dealers that utilize certain components within these products, businesses that dismantle or repair electronic items, and community and charitable organizations.

03/15/1997

Order Number: EPA530-B-97-001

[Financing Guide for Recycling Businesses: Investment Forums, Meetings, and Networks](#)

An indispensable resource for recycling ventures seeking capital and for financiers seeking business opportunities. It explains what business strengths attract significant investment, and shows how entrepreneurs and economic developers can identify a wide range of potential financial partners for recycling companies. Lists 100 investment forums, meetings, and networks that can help put partners together.

09/15/1996

Order Number: EPA530-R-96-012

[How To Start or Expand a Recycling Collection Program](#)

Advice about starting an office recycling program and about improving existing programs. Explains which materials are recoverable, how to collect and store recyclables, and how to motivate employees to take part in a program. Also explains how to find markets to sell the collected materials, and how to monitor and evaluate a program.

01/15/1994

Order Number: EPA530-F-94-007

[Jobs Through Recycling \(JTR\) Program](#)

A fact sheet explaining the goals, objectives, and activities of EPA's JTR initiative, as well as grants available. Outlines the benefits received by existing and startup recycling businesses, solid waste officials, economic development officials, and financiers.

12/15/1997

Order Number: EPA530-F-98-001

[Manufacturing from Recyclables: 24 Case Studies of Successful Recycling Enterprises](#)

These case studies show how different enterprises successfully manufactured their products from recycled materials and provided benefits to their community. Provides company background, feedstock used (with emphasis on scrap materials), manufacturing process, profile of finished products, economics (i.e., costs and savings associated with operating a scrap-based



enterprise), and replicability (i.e., plans for expansion, relocation, or licensing of its process).

09/15/1995

Order Number: EPA530-R-95-001

[Recycling Means Business](#)

A summary of EPA's strategy for supporting the national effort to expand markets for recycled materials. It discusses both the environmental and economic benefits of boosting the recycling market, and addresses the national and local impact of this strategy.

09/15/1995

Order Number: EPA530-K-95-004

[Reusable News](#)

This quarterly newsletter describes the activities of EPA's Municipal and Industrial Solid Waste Division and informs people of the Agency's active participation in addressing the nation's solid waste management dilemma. Articles focus on EPA policies, rule-makings, and technical assistance and outreach products. In addition, success stories, notices of upcoming conferences, and recent report releases are covered. The audience for the newsletter includes more than 20,000 local and state solid waste officials, EPA managers and staff, environmental groups, the general public, and others interested in solid waste management.

Waste Minimization (Hazardous Waste)

The Chemical-Waste Code Crosswalk; Draft

Part of the Waste Minimization National Plan, a technical report providing ways to identify waste streams likely to contain RCRA chemicals (when the chemical is known, but the waste stream is unknown), and to identify which chemicals may be present in a particular waste stream (when the waste stream is known, but the chemicals are unknown). Contains information on more than 400 chemicals and 500 hazardous waste codes.

Reflects the best available national-level waste characterization data from EPA's hazardous waste listings, land disposal restrictions treatment standards, and HWIR.

06/15/1997

Order Number: EPA530-D-97-005

[Hazardous Waste Minimization National Plan](#)

This plan lays out goals, objectives, and action items to reduce the most persistent, bioaccumulative, and toxic chemicals in the national waste stream. It presents a combination of voluntary, regulatory, and institutional mechanisms to achieve the goals of the plan. Appendices contain definitions of terms, examples of successful waste minimization actions, and supplemental actions EPA is investigating. An addendum addresses the

application of the waste minimization national plan to the combustion universe.

11/15/1994

Order Number: EPA530-R-94-045

The Prioritized Chemical List; Draft

A relative ranking of 879 chemicals with data on their persistence, bioaccumulation, and toxicity. Designed as a flexible screening tool to help identify priorities for the Waste Minimization National Plan, this document ranks chemicals both by their human and ecological risk potential.

06/15/1997

Order Number: EPA530-D-97-004

Waste Minimization: Environmental Quality with Economic Benefits

A booklet describing general waste minimization practices. It also lists federal and state offices that can assist generators in initiating or expanding waste minimization programs.

04/15/1990

Order Number: EPA530-SW-90-044

Waste Minimization Fact Sheets

The following series of fact sheets highlights specific companies that have successfully reduced the presence of persistent, bioaccumulative, and toxic chemicals in waste. Each fact sheet briefly profiles the company, its environmental achievements, regulatory relief, implementation process, economic impact, and hurdles overcome. The following items also are available as the kit folder *Waste Minimization National Plan: Reducing Toxics in our Nation's Waste* (see page 13).

Waste Minimization: Increased Profits and Productivity (Charles H. Lilly Company)

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Order Number: EPA530-F-97-025

Waste Minimization: Increased Profits and Productivity (HADCO Corporation)

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Waste Minimization: Increased Profits and Productivity (Harris Corporation)

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Waste Minimization: Increased Profits and Productivity (PPG Industries)

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Waste Minimization: Reducing Paint Waste Through Efficiency (General Motors Hamtramck Plant)

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Waste Minimization: Reducing Releases of Chlorinated Solvents (Ford Motor Company)

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Order Number: EPA530-F-97-023

Waste Minimization: Reduction in Combustible Waste (FMC Corporation)

08/15/1997

Order Number: EPA530-F-97-021

Waste Minimization: Relief from RCRA Large Quantity Generator Status (105th Airlift Wing, New York Air National Guard)

08/15/1997

Order Number: EPA530-F-97-024

[Waste Minimization National Plan: Reducing Toxics in our Nation's Wastes](#)

A brochure about the concept of hazardous waste minimization. It explains the benefits, and invites companies to join a national program that supports hazardous waste minimization. Explains the basic goals of the program and why the targeted chemicals were chosen, resources available, and how they can be implemented.

09/15/1997

Order Number: EPA530-F-97-010

Waste Minimization National Plan: Reducing Toxics in our Nation's Waste (Kit Folder)

Contains the *Waste Minimization Fact Sheets* (see page 12) as well as *Welcome to the Waste Minimization National Plan*, which gives a brief description of the plan, and the quantity and toxicity of the most persistent, bioaccumulative, and toxic (PBT) chemicals in the nation's waste.

12/15/1997

Order Number: EPA530-F-97-028

Waste Reduction (Solid Waste)

Business Guide for Reducing Solid Waste

A step-by-step handbook about setting up a waste reduction program, this guide is an indispensable resource for any small business, large company, government agency, organization, or institution that generates dumpster waste. Contains worksheets for conducting programs



to reduce all kinds of waste—from pallets to paper. A glossary, volume-to-weight conversion table, and list of common recyclable materials also is included.

09/15/1993

Order Number: EPA530-K-92-004

[It's Easy Being Green: A Guide to Planning and Conducting Environmentally Aware Meetings and Events](#)

A guide for planning successful “green” events as well as a step-by-step checklist.

09/15/1996

Order Number: EPA530-K-96-002

[Pay-As-You-Throw Tool Kit](#)

Provides a variety of useful products to help communities consider, design, and implement pay-as-you-throw programs. Includes tools that will help with specific tasks, like conducting a public outreach program or designing a program's rate structure. Also offers general resources that define and explain the programs. Contains guidebooks, a workbook, software providing a pay-as-you-throw rates model, and a videotape that presents a comprehensive summary of the central concepts of unit pricing. The tool kit is only available from the Pay-As-You-Throw Hotline.

09/15/1996

Order Number: EPA530-R-96-013

PAYT Hotline: 800 EPA-PAYT (800 372-7298)

[Pay-As-You-Throw Success Stories](#)

Presents first-hand stories from communities that faced significant municipal solid waste challenges (e.g., increasing amounts of waste, rising disposal costs, and uncertain municipal solid waste budgets) and used pay-as-you-throw programs to improve their solid waste management. Includes a series of fact sheets describing successful programs in Poquoson, Virginia; Dover, New Hampshire; Gainesville, Florida; San Jose, California; South Kingstown, Rhode Island; Vancouver, Washington; Mount Vernon, Iowa; Falmouth, Maine; and Fort Collins, Colorado.

04/15/1997

Order Number: EPA530-F-97-007

[Source Reduction Program Potential Manual: A Planning Packet](#)

Contains the [Source Reduction Program Potential Manual: A Planning Tool](#) and [Reduce It](#), the companion software. The planning tool helps local solid waste managers determine the potential impact of various source reduction options. It examines the program potential, or the portion of a waste stream category that could be addressed by a specific source reduction program. Calculates the program potential for six source reduction options: three residential options (grasscycling, home composting, and clothing reuse) and three commercial, industrial, and institutional options (office paper reduction, converting to multiuse pallets, and paper towel reduction). Includes glossary.

11/15/1997

Order Number: EPA530-E-97-001



[Spotlight on Waste Prevention: EPA's Program to Reduce Solid Waste at the Source](#)

This booklet advances the age-old idea that an ounce of prevention is better than a pound of cure. It introduces the concept of waste prevention (i.e., reducing and reusing) and outlines the many benefits of this solid waste management solution. Waste prevention success stories from businesses, industry, government, and consumers are included.

06/15/1995

Order Number: EPA530-K-95-002

[Waste Prevention: It Makes Good Business Sense](#)

Describes how minimizing waste maximizes profits. Defines waste prevention and lists its benefits. Lists some approaches to waste prevention. Includes an order form for additional information.

09/15/1993

Order Number: EPA530-F-93-008

[Waste Prevention Pays Off: Companies Cut Waste in the Workplace](#)

A booklet describing the successful waste prevention efforts of a variety of businesses. It is organized according to basic waste prevention strategies, and explains the benefits of waste prevention, including economic advantages, enhanced corporate image, improved employee morale, and compliance with local or state solid waste requirements.

09/15/1993

Order Number: EPA530-K-92-005

WasteWise Program

[Waste Reduction Activities of Selected WasteWise Partners: Electric Power Industry](#)

This report highlights some of the most effective and innovative solid waste reduction activities within the electric utility industry. The report examines waste prevention, reuse and refurbishment activities, recycling efforts, and the donation of materials to outside groups and organizations. Ways of reducing coal ash also are documented, since coal ash constitutes such a large portion of utility waste. WasteWise utility partners also are profiled.

08/15/1994

Order Number: EPA530-R-97-017

[WasteWise Tip Sheet: Buying or Manufacturing Recycled Products](#)

Discusses the benefits of buying or manufacturing goods with recycled content and addresses how the purchase of recycled products and recovered raw materials fits into EPA's WasteWise Program. Types of products available with recycled content are listed. Articles address issues businesses should consider when buying recycled, including the

cost and quality of recycled products and recovered raw materials.

01/15/1994

Order Number: EPA530-F-94-005



[WasteWise Tip Sheet: Donating Surplus Food to the Needy](#)

A fact sheet explaining how to reduce food surpluses to help prevent waste. Traditional food banks, prepared and perishable food programs, food program services, donor responsibilities, and common health concerns are discussed. Contains example success programs.

09/15/1996

Order Number: EPA530-F-96-038

[WasteWise Tip Sheet: Facility Waste Assessments](#)

Defines waste assessments and reasons for conducting them. It also addresses how waste assessments fit into EPA's WasteWise Program. Different types of waste assessments are analyzed and information is presented on how a waste assessment helps in selecting and implementing waste reduction actions.

01/15/1994

Order Number: EPA530-F-94-006

[WasteWise Tip Sheet: Managing Food Scraps as Animal Feed](#)

Tips on how to set up a waste reduction program using food scraps as livestock feed. It addresses safe storage and handling procedures as well as permitting and other requirements. Tips for locating a farmer and for evaluating the feasibility of a program also are included.

09/15/1996

Order Number: EPA530-F-96-037

[WasteWise Tip Sheet: Pick Up Savings: Adjusting Hauling Services While Reducing Waste](#)

A fact sheet explaining how companies can save money and reduce waste by reviewing their current hauling service for municipal solid waste. The procedures used by two companies to reduce their hauling costs are included.

11/15/1996

Order Number: EPA530-F-96-016

[WasteWise Tip Sheet: Recycling Collection](#)

Helps businesses launch recycling programs. It describes the types of materials that can be collected and the benefits that can be achieved. Tips are included on how to get started, locate buyers for recycled materials, set up a good collection program, educate employees, and monitor and evaluate the collection program.

01/15/1994

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[WasteWise Tip Sheet: Waste Prevention](#)

Defines waste prevention and its benefits and describes prevention opportunities available to most companies.

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Order Number: EPA530-F-94-003

[WasteWise Tip Sheet: WasteWise Program Road Map](#)

Explains how to participate in the WasteWise Program and the assistance offered by EPA to participants.

01/15/1994

Order Number: EPA530-F-94-002

[WasteWise Update](#)

This journal provides case studies of waste reduction practices implemented by WasteWise partners. Successful initiatives undertaken by WasteWise partners are highlighted, and how different partners overcame technical difficulties is described. Each issue focuses on a different waste reduction topic.

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[Issue #4: Employee Education](#)

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[Issue #6: Remanufactured Products: Good as New](#)

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[Issue #7: Donation Programs: Turning Trash into Treasure](#)

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Order Number: EPA530-N-97-005

[Issue #8: Closing the Loop](#)

12/1997

Order Number: EPA530-N-97-008

[Issue #9: Building Supplier Partnerships](#)

04/15/1998

Order Number: EPA530-N-98-003

Miscellaneous

[Disposal Tips for Home Health Care \(Professional Brochure\)](#)

This guide for home-health-care professionals stresses the importance of teaching patients the safe way to dispose of needles, syringes, lancets, and other “sharps.” It includes a detachable order form for receiving additional professional brochures and for ordering patient flyers. It is available in multiple quantities for office distribution.

11/15/1993

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